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/TH/	A	2,607,463	08/1952	SAIGH JR FRED M			
	B	3,442,442	05/1969	NEIDIG DAN			
	C	3,691,527	09/12/72	Yamamoto			
	D	3,705,384	12/05/72	Wahlberg	340	149	
	E	3,747,733	07/24/73	Knickerbocker	194	10	
	I	3,937,929	02/10/76	Knauer			
	G	Re. 29,450	10/18/77	Goldsby et al.	340	150	
	I	4,237,537	12/02/80	Pitches et al.	364	465	
	I	4,245,730	01/20/81	Bachmann et al.	194	1 A	
	I	4,258,837	03/31/81	Manos et al.	194	1 N	
	K	4,341,951	07/27/82	Benton			
	I	4,359,147	11/16/82	Levasseur	194	1 N	
	M	4,376,479	03/15/83	Sugimoto et al.	194	1 N	
	N	4,420,751	12/13/83	Paganini et al.	340	825.33	
	O	4,478,353	10/23/84	Levasseur	221	14	
	P	4,554,446	11/1985	Murphy et al.			
	Q	4,551,935	11/12/85	Bachman et al.			
	R	4,567,609	01/28/86	Metcalf			
	S	4,574,947	03/11/86	Hutchings	206	45.34	
/TH/	T	RE32115	04/1986	Lockwood et al.			

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	V	4,603,390	07/29/86	Mehdipour et al.			
	W	4,639,875	01/27/87	Abraham et al.	364	479	
	X	4,734,858	03/29/88	Schlaflly			
	Y	4,736,096	04/05/88	Ushikubo	235	472	
	Z	4,737,910	04/12/88	Kimbrow			
	A ¹	4,743,022	05/10/88	Wood			
	B ¹	4,766,548	08/23/88	Cedrone et al.	364	479	
	C ¹	4,799,156	01/17/89	Shavit et al.			
	D ¹	4,817,166	03/28/89	Gonzalez et al.			
	E ¹	4,817,990	04/04/89	Krost			
	F ¹	4,833,607	05/23/89	Dethloff et al.			
	G ¹	4,857,840	08/15/89	Lanchais			
	H ¹	4,878,248	10/31/89	Shyu et al.			
	I ¹	4,882,675	11/21/89	Nichtberger et al.			
	J ¹	4,899,906	02/13/90	Bella	221	67	
	K ¹	4,922,435	05/01/90	Cahlander et al.			
	L ¹	4,947,028	08/07/90	Gorog			
	M ¹	4,963,723	10/16/90	Masada			
V /TH/	N ¹	4,982,346	01/01/91	Giruard et al.			
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	P ¹	4,999,763	03/12/91	Ousborne	364	140	
	Q ¹	5,010,485	04/23/91	Bigari			
	R ¹	5,025,372	06/18/91	Burton et al.			
	S ¹	5,034,739	07/23/91	Gruhl			
	T ¹	5,039,848	08/13/91	Stoken			
	U ¹	5,058,044	10/15/91	Stewart et al.			
	V ¹	5,064,999	11/12/91	Okamoto et al.			
	W ¹	5,081,685	01/14/92	Jones III et al.			
	X ¹	5,091,713	02/25/92	Horne et al.	340	541	
	Y ¹	5,117,354	05/26/92	Long et al.			
	Z ¹	5,117,407	05/26/92	Vogel	369	30	
	A ²	5,119,295	06/2/92	Kapur	364	412	
	B ²	5,136,658	08/06/92	Mori			
	C ²	5,176,224	01/05/93	Spector			
	D ²	5,185,695	02/09/93	Pruchnicki			
	E ²	5,189,607	02/23/93	Shirasaki et al.			
	F ²	5,191,410	03/02/93	McCalley et al.			
	G ²	5,193,648	03/16/93	Yuter			
/TH/	H ²	5,202,826	04/13/93	McCarthy			

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	J ²	5,253,165	10/12/93	Leiseca et al			
	K ²	5,257,179	10/26/93	DeMar	364	410	
	L ²	5,256,863	10/26/93	Ferguson et al.			
	M ²	5,305,195	04/19/94	Murphy			
	N ²	5,315,664	05/24/94	Kumagai			
	O ²	5,315,093	05/24/94	Stewart			
	P ²	5,319,542	06/07/94	King, Jr. et al.			
	Q ²	5,325,291	06/28/94	Garrett et al.			
	R ²	5,367,452	11/22/94	Gallery et al.	364	401	
	S ²	5,381,155	01/10/95	Gerber			
	T ²	5,383,111	01/17/95	Homma et al.			
	U ²	5,408,417	04/18/95	Wilder	364	479	
	V ²	5,422,473	06/06/95	Kamata			
	W ²	5,425,108	06/13/95	Hwang et al.			
	X ²	5,452,344	09/19/95	Larson	379	107	
	Y ²	5,450,938	09/19/95	Rademacher	194	206	
	Z ²	5,482,139	01/09/96	Rivalto			
↓	A ³	5,495,412	02/27/96	Thiessen			
/TH/	B ³	5,504,675	04/02/96	Cragun et al.	364	401	

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	D ³	5,521,364	05/28/96	Kimura et al.			
	E ³	5,526,257	06/11/96	Lerner			
	F ³	5,536,045	07/1996	Adams			
	G ³	5,537,314	07/16/96	Kanter			
	H ³	5,544,040	08/06/96	Gerbaulet			
	I ³	5,546,316	08/13/96	Buckley et al.	364	479.03	
	J ³	5,544,784	08/13/96	Malspina			
	K ³	5,557,721	09/17/96	Fite et al.			
	L ³	5,568,406	10/22/96	Gerber			
	M ³	5,591,972	01/07/97	Noble et al.			
	N ³	5,596,501	01/21/97	Comer et al.	364	464.23	
	Q ³	5,604,901	02/18/97	Kelley et al.			
	P ³	5,611,051	03/11/97	Pirelli			
	Q ³	5,612,527	03/18/97	Ovadia			
	R ³	5,621,640	04/15/97	Burke	395	214	
	S ³	5,621,812	04/15/97	Deaton et al.			
	T ³	5,630,357	05/20/97	Akiyama	99	323.6	
▼	U ³	5,631,724	05/20/97	Sawada et al.			
/TH/	V ³	5,638,302	06/10/97	Gerber			

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	X ³	5,648,484	06/24/97	Harrison III et al.			
	Y ³	5,649,114	07/15/97	Deaton et al.			
	Z ³	5,651,075	07/22/97	Frazier et al.			
	A ⁴	5,655,007	08/05/97	McAllister			
	B ⁴	5,666,493	09/09/97	Wojcik et al.			
	C ⁴	5,675,662	10/07/97	Deaton et al.			
	D ⁴	5,687,322	11/11/97	Deaton et al.			
	E ⁴	5,687,087	11/11/97	Taggart	364	479.03	
	F ⁴	5,692,132	11/25/97	Hogan			
	G ⁴	5,708,782	01/13/98	Larson et al.			
	H ⁴	5,710,887	01/20/98	Chelliah et al.			
	I ⁴	5,710,886	01/20/98	Christiansen et al.			
	J ⁴	5,710,557	01/20/98	Schuette			
	K ⁴	5,713,795	02/03/98	Kohorn			
	L ⁴	5,717,866	02/10/98	Naftger			
	M ⁴	5,719,396	02/17/98	Jack et al.			
	N ⁴	5,727,163	03/10/98	Bezos			
	O ⁴	5,727,164	03/10/98	Kaye et al.			
/TH/	P ⁴	5,726,450	03/10/98	Peterson et al.			

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	R ⁴	5,734,838	03/31/98	Robinson et al.			
	S ⁴	5,737,710	04/07/98	Anthonyson			
	T ⁴	5,739,512	04/14/98	Tognazzini			
	U ⁴	5,754,653	05/19/98	Canfield			
	V ⁴	5,758,328	05/26/98	Giovannoli			
	W ⁴	5,761,648	06/02/98	Golden et al.			
	X ⁴	5,768,142	06/16/98	Jacobs	364	479.01	
	Y ⁴	5,769,269	06/23/98	Peters	221	7	
	Z ⁴	5,774,870	06/30/98	Storey			
	A ⁵	5,774,874	06/30/98	Veeneman et al.			
	B ⁵	5,791,991	08/11/98	Small			
	C ⁵	5,799,284	08/25/98	Bourquin			
	D ⁵	5,802,015	09/98	Rothschild et al.	368	10	
	E ⁵	5,806,044	09/08/98	Powell			
	F ⁵	5,809,144	09/15/98	Sirbu et al.			
	G ⁵	5,816,918	10/06/98	Kelley et al			
	H ⁵	5,835,896	11/98	Fisher et al.			
✓	I ⁵	5,832,458	11/1998	Jones			
/TH/	J ⁵	5,832,457	11/03/98	O'Brien et al.			

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	L ⁵	5,794,207	11/11/98	Walker et al.			
	M ⁵	5,842,212	11/24/98	Ballurio et al.			
	N ⁵	5,842,178	11/24/98	Giovannoli			
	O ⁵	5,845,259	12/1998	West et al.			
	P ⁵	5,845,265	12/01/98	Woolston			
	Q ⁵	5,848,399	12/08/98	Burke			
	R ⁵	5,850,446	12/15/98	Berger et al.			
	S ⁵	5,855,007	12/29/98	Jovicic et al.			
	T ⁵	5,857,175	01/05/99	Day et al.			
	U ⁵	5,864,822	01/26/99	Baker III			
	V ⁵	5,864,604	01/26/99	Moen et al.			
	W ⁵	5,870,719	02/09/99	Maritzen et al.			
	X ⁵	5,870,716	02/09/99	Sugiyama et al.			
	Y ⁵	5,870,717	02/09/99	Wiecha			
	Z ⁵	5,875,110	02/23/99	Jacobs	364	479.02	
	A ⁶	5,878,139	03/02/99	Rosen			
	B ⁶	5,883,810	03/16/99	Franklin et al.			
	C ⁶	5,887,271	03/23/99	Powell			
/TH/	D ⁶	5,890,136	03/30/99	Kipp			

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	F ⁶	5,907,830	05/25/99	Engel et al.			
	G ⁶	5,918,213	06/29/99	Bernard et al.			
	H ⁶	5,924,080	07/13/99	Johnson			
	I ⁶	5,924,080	07/13/99	Naftzger			
	J ⁶	5,924,082	07/13/99	Silverman et al.			
	K ⁶	5,930,771	07/27/99	Stapp	705	28	
	L ⁶	5,937,391	08/10/99	Ikeda et al.			
	M ⁶	5,938,717	08/17/99	Dunne et al.			
	N ⁶	5,948,038	09/07/99	Daly et al.			
	O ⁶	5,956,695	09/21/99	Carrithers et al.			
	P ⁶	5,959,869	09/28/99	Miller et al.	364	479.01	
	O ⁶	5,964,660	10/99	James et al.			
	R ⁶	5,963,452	10/05/99	Etoh et al.	364	479.06	
	S ⁶	5,963,939	10/05/99	McCann et al.			
	T ⁶	5,970,469	10/18/99	Scroggie et al.			
	U ⁶	5,974,399	10/26/99	Giuliani et al.			
	V ⁶	5,991,740	11/23/99	Messer			
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	A ⁷	6,014,634	01/11/00	Scroggie et al.			
	B ⁷	6,016,504	01/18/00	Arnold et al.			
	C ⁷	6,026,375	02/15/00	Hall et al.			
	D ⁷	6,026,370	02/15/00	Jermyn			
	E ⁷	6,029,141	02/22/00	Bezos et al.			
	H ⁷	6,029,139	02/22/00	Cunningham et al.			
	G ⁷	6,038,551	03/2000	Barlow et al.			
	H ⁷	6,035,284	03/2000	Straub et al.			
	I ⁷	6,048,267	04/11/00	Wichinsky	463	13	
	J ⁷	6,050,568	04/18/00	Hachquet	273	292	
	H ⁷	6,052,667	04/18/00	Walker et al.	705	15	
	H ⁷	6,055,513	04/25/00	Katz			
	M ⁷	6,058,373	05/02/00	Blinn et al.			
	N ⁷	6,058,375	05/02/00	Park			
	O ⁷	6,061,660	05/09/00	Eggleston et al.			
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↓	Q ⁷	6,076,070	06/2000	Stack			
/TH/	R ⁷	6,073,840	06/13/00	Marion			

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	V ⁷	6,115,649	09/06/00	Sakata			
	W ⁷	6,134,534	10/17/00	Walker et al.			
	X ⁷	6,167,382	12/2000	Sparks et al.			
	Y ⁷	6,192,349	02/2001	Husemann et al.			
	Z ⁷	6,193,154 B1	02/27/01	Phillips et al.			
	A ⁸	6,193,155	02/27/01	Walker et al.			
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	E ⁸	6,247,047	06/2001	Wolff			
	F ⁸	6,266,651	07/2001	Woolston			
	G ⁸	6,260,024	07/10/01	Shkedy			
	H ⁸	6,321,984 B1	11/27/01	McCall et al.			
	I ⁸	6,330,544	12/11/01	Walker et al.			
	J ⁸	6,370,513	04/2002	Kolawa et al.			
	K ⁸	6,405,174	06/11/02	Walker et al.			
/TH/	L ⁸	20020120496	08/29/02	Scroggie et al.			

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	P ^s	2003/0033292	02/2003	Meisel et al.			
	Q ^s	2003/0088465	05/2003	Monteverde			
	R ^s	6,584,448	06/24/03	Laor			
	S ^s	20030139969	07/24/03	Scroggie et al.			
	T ^s	6,684,195	01/2004	Deaton et al.			
	U ^s	2004/0243478	12/2004	Walker et al.			
	V ^s	6,970,837 B1	11/2005	Walker et al.			
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